UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK MYOUNGHWA LEE,

Plaintiff,

-against-

U.S. DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY, U.S. CITIZENSHIP AND IMMIGRATION SERVICES; Alejandro Mayorkas, in the official capacity as Secretary of the U.S. Department of Homeland Security; Ur M. Jaddou, in the capacity as Director of the United States Citizenship and Immigration Services; Terri Robinson, in the capacity as Director of the National Benefits Center of the United States Citizenship and Immigration Services; Michael Borgen, in the capacity as Acting Director of New York Field Office of the United States Citizenship and Immigration Services,

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**ORDER** 

Defendants.

ANALISA TORRES, District Judge:

To protect the public health, while promoting the "just, speedy, and inexpensive determination of every action and proceeding," Fed. R. Civ. P. 1, it is ORDERED pursuant to Rules 30(b)(3) and 30(b)(4) of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure that all depositions in this action may be taken via telephone, videoconference, or other remote means. It is further ORDERED pursuant to Rule 30(b)(5) that a deposition will be deemed to have taken place "before an officer appointed or designated under Rule 28" if such officer attends the deposition using the same remote means used to connect all other participants, so long as all participants (including the officer) can clearly hear and be heard by all other participants. The parties are encouraged to engage in discovery through remote means at every available opportunity.

SO ORDERED.

Dated: September 29, 2023 New York, New York

> ANALISA TORRES United States District Judge